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System Diagnostic Approach for Tracking HVAC Performance

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Presentation Overview

- Original Whole Building COP Concept
- Challenges of Whole Building COP
- Development of System Diagnostic Approach
- System Diagnostic Application



Whole Building COP Approach

- Ratio of Energy Inputs and Outputs
- Typically System Level Value
- Application Examples



COP Challenges at Ann Arbor

- Chiller/Heater Operation not Season Dependant
- Loss of Resolution with Whole Building COP
- Lack of Established Performance Metrics for Laboratories



System Diagnostics

- Snapshot of System Performance
- Baseline for Model Operation
- Component Based Measurement
- Repeatable Test Conditions
- System Flags for Inefficient Operation

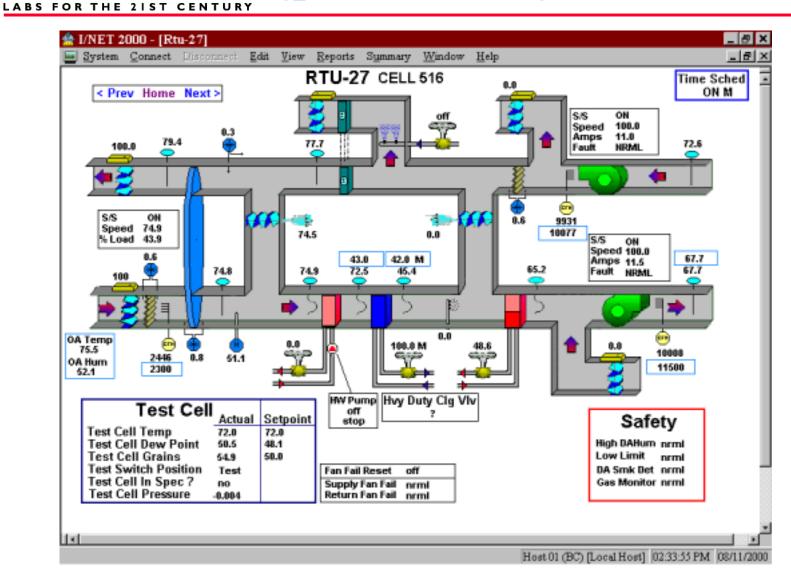


System Diagnostic Application

- Test Cell Heating & Cooling
- Heat Wheel Effectiveness
- Central Plant Heating & Cooling
- Fuel Cell Efficiency

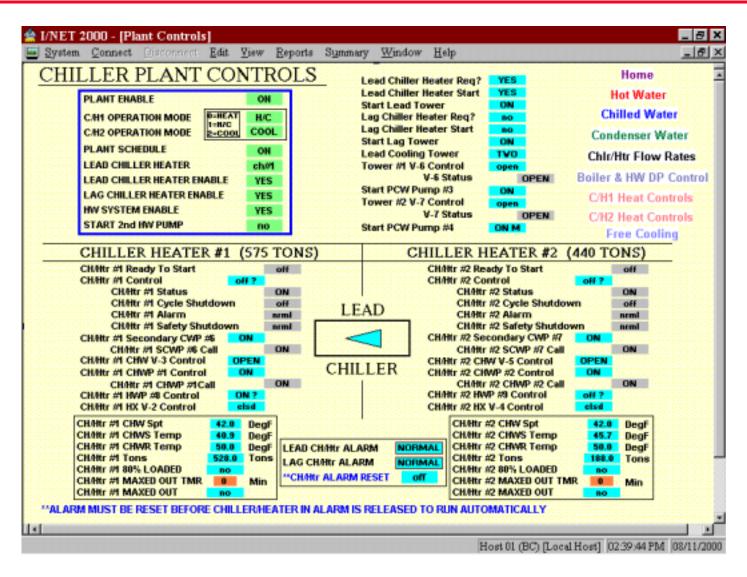


Typical Laboratory Test Cell AHU





Central Plant Control Screen





Fuel Cell Efficiency

Fuel Cell Efficiency equals the sum of the KW output plus the Waste Heat Energy divided by the Energy of the fuel consumed



Concept Status

- Currently programming logic
- Component operation will be trended during initial commissioning
- Ongoing results will be reviewed for further tuning of diagnostic approach



Thank You!